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Windows Server 2008 - ISAPI 'C:\Windows\Microsoft.NET\Framework\v2.0.50727\aspnet_isapi.dll' reported itself as unhealthy for the following reason: 'Deadlock detected'.

In this scenario – I had a load balanced web farm for a standard .Net 2.0 framework website – running on Windows Server 2008 SR2 – Enterprise. Every-time – I went to the home page of the site – the following message was displayed in the browser as well as the eventvwr.

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Thus – what was odd was that static .htm pages were served fine when browsed to.

Thus, to remedy it turned out firewall rules needed put in place for each web front end so that the web servers could utilize port 1433 to the sql server.

To verify if port 1433 is accessible from the web application server front end – run this from a command prompt – if nothing returns then a rule in the firewall needs adjusted:

netstat -ano| findstr 1433